

# Monroe County's Older Population

## Social and Economic Characteristics

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	Monroe County		Wisconsin
Household Income (Householder Age 65+)		Percent	Percent
Income less than \$35,000	2,574	71.0%	65.2%
Income less than \$50,000	3,013	83.1%	80.4%

Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level	Number	Percent	Percent
Below Poverty	448	8.6%	7.4%
Below 2.0 x Poverty	1,885	36.4%	29.6%

Median Income: Comparing Age Groups		Dollars	Dollars
Total (Householders of all ages)		\$37,170	\$43,791
Householder 65 to 74 years		\$27,347	\$31,328
Householder 75 years and over		\$18,275	\$21,046

Employment Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force	514	20.6%	17.7%
Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force	327	10.2%	9.3%

Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
65+; Less than 9th grade	1,461	25.7%	17.8%
65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma	806	14.2%	15.5%
65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency)	2,238	39.3%	38.2%
65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree	702	12.3%	13.7%
65+, Bachelor's degree or more	487	8.6%	12.7%

Marital Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Never married	318	5.6%	4.7%
Married	2,723	47.8%	52.9%
Separated	306	5.4%	5.2%
Widowed	2,036	35.8%	31.3%
Divorced	311	5.5%	5.9%
<b>Males</b> , 65 and over, married	1,588	63.7%	71.3%
<b>Females</b> , 65 and over, married	1,135	35.5%	39.9%

Disability Status, Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Persons 65 or older with any disability	2,248	43.4%	36.5%
With a sensory disability	639	12.3%	11.9%
With a physical disability	1,579	30.5%	24.1%
With a mental disability	299	5.8%	7.6%
With a self-care disability	356	6.9%	7.5%
With a go-outside-home disability	965	18.6%	17.7%
Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level	214	9.5%	10.6%